Funds for Andheri-Ghatkopar corridor

1553. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Maharashtra has forwarded a proposal of obtaining external aid for Andheri-Ghatkopar corridor in Mumbai;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Government of Maharashtra has requested to provide 25 per cent of equity to make this project viable; and

(d) if so, the action Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) The Versova-Andheri-Ghatkopar corridor is proposed to be executed on Build Own Operate Transfer (BOOT) basis. Government of Maharashtra has initiated the bidding process. No firm proposal has been received by the Central Government based on the outcome of the bidding process.

In-principal approval of Planning Commission for this corridor has been conveyed to the State Government in April, 2005.

Private builders in public housing projects

1554. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the DDA has allowed private sector in public housing projects in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the terms and conditions for private participation in construction projects in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The Draft MPD-2001 which had been notified by Delhi Development Authority (DDA) on 8.4.2005 for inviting objections/ suggestions from the public envisages a multi pronged strategy for